

Application. Serial No. 10/747, 967
Response to the Office Action of August 24, 2006

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REMARKS

Claims 21 and 22 are pending in the present application. Claims 1-20 have been cancelled, by way of this amendment, without prejudice. New claims 21 and 22 have been added by way of this amendment.

The specification has been amended at paragraph [0059] to correct a typographical error.

Support for new claim 21 may be found at paragraph [0059].

Support for new claim 22 may be found at paragraph [0063].

It is submitted that none of the art cited against claims 1-20 is applicable to new claims 21 and 22, since the cited art does not relate to intermediate nodes in multihop pseudo-wires.

It is submitted that no new matter has been added by way of these amendments.

In view of the foregoing, the applicant respectfully submits that claims 21-22 are in condition for allowance. Favourable consideration and allowance of claims 21-22 are respectfully requested. Should the Examiner believe however that additional amendments to the claims may be required to secure allowance of this application; he is invited to telephone the undersigned at 416-865-3519 to facilitate further prosecution of this application.

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